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SUBJECT: PLENARY--ITEM 60, WAR CRIMES

1. FIRST FRANCE, GDR, AND USSR SPOKE AGAINST AMENDMENTS
CONTAINED IN A/L.711/REV.1 SUBMITTED BY SAUDI ARABIA.
THEN ARGENTINA AND ECUADOR EXPRESSED RESERVATION ON DRAFT
PRINCIPLES. VOTING ON AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS:
A. SUGGESTED PARA 2 TO PROVIDE FOR TRIBUNAL COMPOSED OF JUDGES
WHO ARE NOT NATIONALS OF STATE CONCERNED WAS DEFEATED
5-36(US)-79;
B. NEW PARA GIVING TO EACH STATE RIGHT TO TRY ITS OWN
NATIONALS ACCEPTED 19-7(US)-94; AND
C. SUGGESTED PARA DENYING RIGHT OF ASYLUM TO PERSONS ACCUSED
OF WAR CRIMES REJECTED 9-29(US)-82. SEPARATE VOTE ON PARA 4
RELATING TO EXTRADITION WAS 56(US)-0-66. RES ADOPTED BY VOTE
OF 94(US)-0-29.

2. ONLY CONSISTENT SUPPORT FOR AMENDMENTS CAME FROM CON-
SERVATIVE ARAB STATES. MOST NON-ALIGNED, ESPECIALLY AFS,
ABSTAINED ON AMENDMENTS, RESULTING IN SMALL NUMBER OF VOTES
NEEDED TO REJECT THEM. WHILE ALL EES AND MOST WEOS VOTED
AGAINST PROPOSAL TO CREATE NEUTRAL TRIBUNAL, NORDICS, JAPAN,
SPAIN AND FRG ABSTAINED ON THIS VOTE.

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